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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Omitted Items in a Nonprovisional Application (copy attached), please amend this application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend paragraph 0019 to read as follows:

Figures 11 A-J through 15 A-J, 16 A-F, and 17 A-J are graphic displays of the functional response of the hybrid electric vehicle which is controlled by the algorithm shown in Figures 1-9 which give graphic displays of vehicle velocity (A), throttle angle (B), engine RPM (C), transmission gear ratio (D), torque output at the half shafts (E), engine torque (F), motor torque (G), percentage of accelerator pedal travel (H), velocity error (I) and engine clutch engagement (J).

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Amendment is being deposited with the United States Postal Service, with sufficient postage as first class mail, in an envelope addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on this 22nd day of April, 2002.

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